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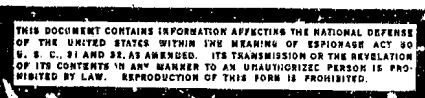
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PRIMORSKIY MEETS 5-YEAR PLAN -- Krasnoye Znamya, No 178, 30 Jul 49

On 29 July, the State Primorskiy Fish Industry completed the Five-Year Plan for catching fish. A deciding factor in this achievement was the performance of the seiner crews who in 1948 had started a drive to catch many thousand centners and who this year increased their catch 100 - 200 percent over their 1948 record catches.

During the rest of this year, the industry is faced with the tasks of achieving the prewar fishing level and mastering the technique of catching tunny. It must also prepare for expeditionary catches of the Sakhalin flatfish in the vicinity of the Aleksandrovsk bank of the Tatar Straits. This expedition will have tremendous economic import for the fish combines of northern Primorskiy Krai which will obtain valuable raw materials for production of additional canned goods, and will be able to maintain production in their canneries during the autumn season at which time they had formerly been idle. With the aid of the Pacific Ocean Institute of Fish Economy and Oceanography, Primorskiy fishermen are scheduled to start fishing for mackerel in the northern part of the krai and in southern waters. Finally, the industry plans to organize autumn and winter expeditionary catches of "mintay."

Primorskiy fishermen have pledged to complete the 1949 plan by 1 October and to catch 1,800,000 pud of fish above plan by the end of the year.

PRIMORSKIY FISHERMEN LACK SCIENTIFIC AID -- Krasnoye Znamya, No 168, 19 Jul 49

In 1948, the activity of the Pacific Ocean Institute of Fish Economy and Oceanography was one of the subjects given special consideration in the Bureau of the Primorskiy Krai Committee VKP(b). The committee discovered that the institute was not studying the important problems of the Primorskiy fish industry. The institute still continues to give extremely limited assistance to the industry's problems, even after the Party's criticism of last year.

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One of the main problems facing the fish industry this year is increasing the mackerel catch, and it must have the aid of science to do it successfully. Wide-scale, scientifically organized search for new mackerel fields has not been carried out in the Kray, and the institute is entirely to blame. The institute has not been studying the great changes occurring this year in the run of "terpuga" and flatfish. The study of fish migrations must be drastically improved and requires the cooperation of scientists with fish industry workers and fishermen.

FURTHER EXPANSION PLANNED -- Krasnoye Znamya, No 178, 30 Jul 49

In the last 3 years, the increase in the Primorskiy Kray fish catch was 118 percent of the 1946 level, that is, it increased more than two times. The plan established for 1946 was fulfilled 109.6 percent, the 1947 plan 127.6 percent, and the 1948 plan 122 percent.

As early as 1947, more than 70 percent of the entire seiner fleet was electrified for night fishing. All seiners and many "kawasaki" are equipped with universal mechanized hoists which were designed and built in Primorskiy enterprises and which have speeded the unloading of fish into boats by 400 - 500 percent. Many seiners are equipped with radios which provide two-way communications with each other and with the shore. In the first 6 months of 1949, Primorskiy fish combines have put into operation 50 percent more hydro-conveyors, 100 percent more fish-cutting machines, and 300 percent more belt conveyors than were in operation in 1948. This year, the combines have also installed 14 incline conveyors, have laid more than 4,000 meters of pipe line, and have put into operation 40 centrifugal pumps. The combines have obtained the first lot of modernized hydraulic fish presses, produced by the mechanized plant of "Glavprimorribprom" (Main Administration of the Primorskiy Fish Industry). Fish pumps are being used for the first time this year in unloading mackerel. Special metal fish-processing floating docks, which will accompany the fishing fleet to the most active fishing areas, have been built to provide maneuverable mechanized fish processing.

The industry has started construction and reorganization of the Kurile combines. Much labor has been expended in training specialists to staff the Kurile Islands enterprises.

The growing resources of the area have made possible the reconstruction of enterprises which had remained idle due to the disappearance of the sardine. In 1948, the Ussuriyskiy, Koz'mino, Valentin, and Klerk combines were restored and put back into operation. In 1949, the Reyneke, Slavyanka, Pos'yet, and Anna combines were restored and the Mutukhe, Melkovodnaya, and Srednyaya combines, will be put into operation soon.

The idea that mackerel must be caught on clear days, when they can be seen near the surface, has been disproved this year, when weather conditions did not meet this requirement and the catch still totaled 50 - 60 tons per cast.

The industry has drawn up several measures to ensure fulfillment of the plans for 1949 - 1952 and to expand the fishing regions and to maintain year-round fishing. The seiner fleet will be further expanded, the Zarubino and Tatarskiy canneries will be expanded and reconstructed, and plants for processing waste products will be constructed at the Preobrazheniye, Ussuriyskiy, Slavyanka, and other combines. The crabbing fleet will be increased, and by 1952, the number of crab fishermen will be doubled. Similar measures are planned for the transport fleet. Among other plans are construction of refrigeration units in combines, electric power facilities, and a mechanized plant and agar plant. -- Sh. Nadibaidze, chief, "Glavprimorribprom"

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CASPIAN AUTUMN FISHING SEASON BEGINS -- Krasnyy Flot, No 194, 18 Aug 49

The autumn fishing season began in the North Caspian on 17 August. Fishermen from collective fisheries of Gur'yev, as well as fishing fleets of Bakseykiy, Dengizkiy, and Novobogatinskiy rayons went out to sea. Floating canneries were sent to the location of the fishing operations. The first few hundred centners of various kinds of sturgeon were delivered to collection points.

PRIMORSKIY CRAB TRUST COMPLETES 5-YEAR PLAN -- Krasnoye Znamya, No 168, 19 Jul 49

On 17 July, the Primorskiy Kray Crab Trust, completed the Five-Year Plan for catching crab. The trust is nearing completion of the Five-Year Plan for output of canned crab products.

FAR EAST CRAB CANNERY COMPLETES FIVE-YEAR PLAN -- Komsomol'skiya Pravda, No 191, 14 Aug 49

Vladivostok -- The Far East Floating Cannery Trust completed the year plan for crab fishing and processing. Canning output during this season was 34 percent greater than during the same period of 1948.

The "Chernyshevskiy" Floating Cannery operated very successfully. It was the first among enterprises of the trust to fulfill the Five-Year Plan for general volume of production and has processed several hundred thousand cans of crabs above the year plan.

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